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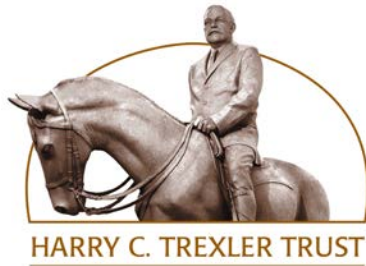
## **Trexler Trust Awards More than \$5.7 Million to Lehigh County Charities**

Allentown, PA – The Trustees of the Harry C. Trexler Trust have awarded grants to Lehigh County charities and the City of Allentown totaling \$5,718,395.

The 2020 awards were made after extensive review of more than 131 requests from 117 different charitable organizations seeking funding. Lehigh County charitable organizations received grants totaling \$3,807,430. As stipulated by General Trexler’s Will, the City of Allentown was awarded \$1,910,965 for the “improvements, extension and maintenance of all its Parks.”

L. Charles Marcon, Trexler Trustee and Chair during the 2019-2020 fiscal year, said, “For over 85 years, the Trexler Trust has relied on the good work of charitable organizations to improve the quality of life for the Citizens of Allentown and Lehigh County. The Trexler Trust provides financial resources to charities that serve basic needs, education, and cultural enrichment to everyone in the County.”

Mr. Marcon said, “we are especially grateful during this time of uncertainty to the extraordinary staff and volunteers of our community service organizations. Allentown and Lehigh County are better for your service and, we Trustees are pleased to provide some of the necessary funding to enable you to perform your good works.”



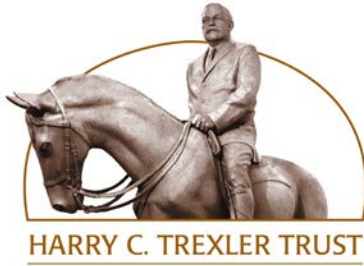
Mr. Marcon said further, “The changing environment for delivery of charitable services has been met with grit and determination to provide for the needs of our most vulnerable members of the community. Human service organizations created new, safe ways to meet with clients. Educational institutions are using technology to teach and inspire. Basic needs are being met with adjusted delivery systems and scarce resources.”

Mr. Marcon said, “The Covid-19 crisis has challenged us all including the City of Allentown and its parks. General Trexler once said that parks are “the lungs of the City.” He could not have had any idea how important these outlets would become to so many during this unprecedented time. The City of Allentown continues, with Trexler’s financial assistance, to offer its citizens the most valuable resource it has – the City-wide Park System.” Mr. Marcon said, “The City’s difficult financial picture and complex operations combined with a pandemic have not altered its commitment to its beautiful park system.”

A full list of agencies and their awards is attached.

The Trustees annually submit a detailed accounting of their activities to the Orphans’ Court Division, Lehigh County Court of Common Pleas. This accounting includes the schedule for distribution to Lehigh County charities. Upon adjudication of the account by the Court, funds are distributed to the charities.

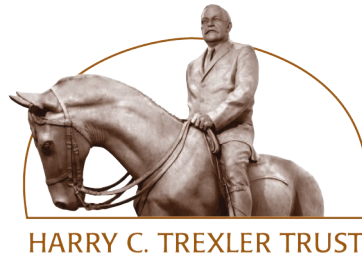
The Trexler Trust was established by the Will of Harry C. Trexler after his death in 1933 and the death of his wife, Mary Mosser Trexler in 1934. In 1935, the Trust made its first distribution of \$165,827.10. During more than 85 years of grantmaking, over \$165 million has been awarded to the City of Allentown and Lehigh County charities for the benefit of Lehigh County citizens.



The Trustees of the Harry C. Trexler Trust are appointed by the Orphans' Court Division, Lehigh County Court of Common Pleas. The Trexler Trustees, listed by length of service, are: Malcolm J. Gross, Senior Partner of Gross McGinley; Barnet H. Fraenkel, Senior Vice President, Wealth Management at Morgan Stanley; Jamie P. Musselman, President of Musselman Advertising, Inc.; L. Charles Marcon, Chief Executive Officer of Duggan and Marcon, Inc.; and J. Scott Pidcock, Principal of The Pidcock Company.

General Trexler's Will directs his Trustees to make *grants for such charitable organizations and objects as in their discretion shall be of the most benefit to humanity, limiting them, however, as to locality, to the City of Allentown and the County of Lehigh.*

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Agency	Purpose	Grant Amount
Allentown Area Ecumenical Food Bank	to underwrite operating expenses for the food pantry	\$50,000.00
Allentown Art Museum	operating support	\$200,000.00
Allentown Band, Inc. (The)	underwrite operating support for Lehigh County concerts	\$5,000.00
Allentown Central Catholic High School, Inc.	underwrite scholarships for incoming minority students from low-income Allentown families	\$40,000.00
Allentown Public Library	underwrite operating expenses and accessibility to the public space	\$90,000.00
Allentown Rescue Mission	underwrite the conversion to energy conserving LED lighting	\$5,000.00
Allentown Symphony Association, Inc.	operating support	\$75,000.00
Allentown Youth Soccer Club	underwrite equipment costs for low-income children of Allentown	\$6,000.00
Allentown, City of	improvements, extension and maintenance of all its Parks	\$1,910,965.00
Animal Food Bank Services, Inc.	to purchase, transport, and store pet food for distribution to elders, the disabled, and low-income Lehigh County residents	\$5,000.00
Baum School of Art (The)	underwrite the 2020 City Arts Summer Camp or the 2021 City Arts Summer Camp	\$65,000.00
Baum School of Art (The)	to support general operating expenses and revenue losses related to Covid-19	\$100,000.00
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Lehigh Valley, Inc.	expand the Community-Based mentoring program in partnership with Pinebrook Family Answers	\$10,000.00
Boys and Girls Clubs of Allentown	underwrite Make Your M.A.R.K. in the Allentown School District and mitigate learning deficits caused by school closings due to Covid-19	\$83,000.00
Bradbury-Sullivan LGBT Community Center	underwrite operating expenses	\$25,000.00
Burnside Plantation, Inc.	underwrite expenses for family programming	\$5,000.00
Camelot for Children, Inc.	underwrite the cost of summer camp 2020 for special needs children or for the summer of 2021	\$5,000.00

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Camerata Singers (The)	underwrite costs of the 2019-2020 season	\$2,000.00
Cancer Support Community of the Greater Lehigh Valley	to modify cancer support programs for virtual delivery	\$3,000.00
Casa Guadalupe Center	operating support and a food delivery program for elders and families during the Covid-19 shelter at home timeframe	\$150,000.00
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Allentown, Inc.	underwrite case management services for low-income adults and families residing in Lehigh County	\$40,000.00
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Allentown, Inc.	support immigration services in Lehigh County	\$40,000.00
Cedar Crest College	to underwrite scholarships and support for low-income Lehigh County residents impacted by Covid-19	\$50,000.00
Center for Humanistic Change, Inc.	support programming in the Allentown School District	\$5,000.00
Center for Vision Loss, Inc.	support vision rehabilitation services for Lehigh County residents	\$12,000.00
Civic Theatre of Allentown	operating support	\$50,000.00
Communities in Schools of the Lehigh Valley	underwrite operating expenses to deliver programs in the Allentown School District	\$150,000.00
Community Action Development Corporation of the Lehigh Valley	underwrite operating expenses for the Sixth Street Shelter and mitigate the consequences of Covid-19 for homeless families	\$25,000.00
Community Action Development Corporation of the Lehigh Valley	support technical and marketing assistance for City of Allentown small businesses that are owned by Allentown residents	\$25,000.00
Community Action Development Corporation of the Lehigh Valley	program support for the Seed Farm to benefit Lehigh County residents	\$30,000.00
Community Bike Works	underwrite operating expenses for Allentown and Lehigh County programs	\$75,000.00
Community Music School	to modify programs for virtual delivery and mitigate revenue loss due to Covid-19	\$50,000.00
Community Services for Children, Inc.	underwrite program support for the 2020-2021 school year	\$30,000.00
Coplay Public Library	support for building improvements	\$12,430.00

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Da Vinci Discovery Center of Science and Technology, Inc. (The)	to underwrite operating expenses	\$50,000.00
DeSales University	underwrite the purchase of healthcare simulation technology	\$25,000.00
Easterseals Eastern Pennsylvania	underwrite developmental screenings of children residing in Allentown and Lehigh County	\$10,000.00
Emmaus Historical Society	underwrite operating expenses	\$2,500.00
Emmaus Public Library	underwrite the cost of upgrades to the library	\$25,000.00
Everlasting Life Ministries	underwrite operating costs of services for Lehigh County residents	\$35,000.00
Family Promise of the Lehigh Valley	to underwrite costs to adjust its operations and care model due to Covid-19	\$10,000.00
Fe Foundation	support a summer 2020 program for Latino students or for summer 2021	\$5,000.00
Flint Hill Farm Educational Center, Inc.	underwrite educational programming for Allentown School District children	\$5,000.00
Fund to Benefit Children & Youth, Inc.	underwrite the purchase of basic household items and clothing for low-income Lehigh County families with children	\$5,000.00
Grace Community Foundation	underwrite operating and food expenses for the pantry	\$30,000.00
Grace Montessori School	to underwrite scholarships for low-income students residing in Allentown	\$12,000.00
Greater Valley YMCA	to underwrite operating costs and improvements to the Allentown branch	\$250,000.00
Guardianship Support Agency, Inc.	support for the operation of a safe, secure Guardianship program	\$12,000.00
Habitat for Humanity of the Lehigh Valley	underwrite the implementation of the Home Repair Program to keep low-income Allentown residents in their homes	\$75,000.00
Haven House	underwrite the cost of intervention services for at-risk youth in the Allentown School District and Food Readiness program	\$30,000.00
Hivel Und Dahl Preservation Society	underwrite the restoration of the Schubert-Graber Log-Post Shop	\$2,000.00
Housing Association and Development Corporation	underwrite the cost to purchase and reburish construction equipment	\$20,000.00
Jerusalem House Ministries	increased support for service to the poor of the neighborhood especially those affected by Covid-19	\$40,000.00

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Jewish Community Center of Allentown, Penna.	underwrite the cost to relocate and resite the playground from camp to the JCC in Allentown	\$15,000.00
Jewish Community Center of Allentown, Penna.	underwrite operating expenses	\$85,000.00
Jewish Family Service of the Lehigh Valley	operating support	\$45,000.00
KidsPeace Corporation	underwrite access to mental health services for low-income Allentown residents	\$40,000.00
Lehigh Carbon Community College Foundation	for student aid, technology, and the replacement medical supplies for the nursing program due to Covid-19	\$40,000.00
Lehigh Conference of Churches	underwrite operating expenses for Lehigh County services	\$70,000.00
Lehigh County Historical Society	operating support	\$60,000.00
Lehigh County Humane Society	underwrite veterinary care costs for low-income Lehigh County residents	\$5,000.00
Lehigh County Senior Citizens, Inc.	support social, recreational and educational programs for Lehigh County elders	\$25,000.00
Lehigh Valley Arts Council	operating support	\$10,000.00
Lehigh Valley Center for Independent Living, Inc.	operating support	\$30,000.00
Lehigh Valley Children's Centers, Inc.	program support	\$18,000.00
Lehigh Valley Military Affairs Council	underwrite operating and program expenses to support the recovery of homeless veterans in Lehigh County	\$5,000.00
Liberty Bell Shrine of Allentown, Inc.	underwrite the cost of programming for Allentown School District third graders and a free admission program	\$15,000.00
Literacy Center (The)	operating and program support including a work-at-home program implemented due to Covid-19	\$70,000.00
Manito Life Center	budgetary support for fixed costs	\$35,000.00
Mercy School for Special Learning	provide operating support	\$55,000.00
Miracle League of the Lehigh Valley (The)	underwrite property maintenance costs	\$5,000.00
Mosser Village Family Center, Inc.	to support the food pantry	\$10,000.00
Muhlenberg College	to create a Muhlenberg program to address food insecurity	\$18,000.00
Muhlenberg College	second and final installment on \$48,000.00 to support a science-based program for Allentown School District students in Allentown Parks	\$24,000.00

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Neighborhood Center, The	support operating expenses for the center	\$40,000.00
Neighborhood Health Centers of the Lehigh Valley	underwrite the adaptation and implementation of a mobile app for instant access to basic needs and services in Allentown	\$25,000.00
Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival (The)	operating support for the WillPower program	\$25,000.00
Pennsylvania Sinfonia Orchestra	support the 2019-2020 season	\$15,000.00
Pinebrook Family Answers	underwrite operating expenses for services to Lehigh County residents	\$108,000.00
Pratyush Sinha Foundation	underwrite programs in the Allentown School District	\$5,000.00
Promise Neighborhoods of Lehigh Valley	underwrite the Allentown Zero Youth Violence program with a grant of \$25,000 and a second grant of \$25,000 if matched by other donors before March 1, 2021	\$50,000.00
Public Library of Catasauqua	underwrite the purchase and installment of a new gas furnace for the library	\$20,000.00
Repertory Dance Theatre	underwrite educational outreach programs for children of the Allentown School District	\$12,000.00
Ripple Community Inc.	underwrite operating expenses	\$65,000.00
Salvation Army (The)	to support Allentown's operating expenses and costs related to Covid-19	\$183,000.00
Slatington Public Library	toward the purchase price of the elevator	\$45,000.00
St. Luke's Hospital – Sacred Heart Campus	support the Faith-Based Nursing Program in Allentown	\$150,000.00
Treatment Trends, Inc.	underwrite operating costs for the Treatment Continuum Alternative Program for Lehigh County residents	\$3,500.00
Union and West End Cemetery Association	underwrite operating expenses	\$11,500.00
Via of the Lehigh Valley, Inc.	underwrite Community Employment Services for the disabled	\$15,000.00
Wildlands Conservancy, Inc.	underwrite repairs to the Harry C. Trexler Environmental Education Center	\$25,000.00
Wildlands Conservancy, Inc.	facilitate the overall completion and further implementation of the Jordan Creek Greenway development plan	\$25,000.00
Wildlife Information Center	fund strategic planning and coordination of Allentown's Parks programs for youth	\$10,000.00
Wildlife Information Center	underwrite operating expenses relating to services for Lehigh County residents	\$20,000.00



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Young Women's Christian Association	underwrite operating expenses and expenses related to Covid-19	\$92,000.00
Zion's Reformed United Church of Christ	underwrite dining hall improvements, meals for the homeless, and expenses related to Covid-19	\$20,500.00
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$5,718,395.00</b>